

NETWORK SUPPORT FOR MINUTE USAGE ALERTING

ABSTRACT

In general terms, one embodiment of the method is for automatically
5 notifying a subscriber that the subscriber has talked on a mobile terminal for a
subscriber-defined amount of time. The method may have the steps of: defining an
interval for at least one category of usage of a mobile terminal that is operatively
connected to a telecommunication network; storing, at the telecommunication
network, the defined interval for the at least one category of usage of the mobile
10 terminal; monitoring, by the telecommunication network, a time that a call has been
active on the mobile terminal; comparing the time that the call has been active to the
stored at least one interval; and sending a predetermined notification signal from the
telecommunication system to the mobile terminal when the time that the call has
been active exceeds the stored interval. The system implements the method.

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